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ಕೇಂದ್ರದ ವಿಧೇಯಕಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಅವುಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ಪರಿಶೀಲನಾ ಸಮಿತಿಯ ವರದಿಗಳು,  
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ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಪತಿಯವರಿಂದ ರಚಿತವಾಗಿ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರಿಂದ  
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ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
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Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE ADVOCATES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023  
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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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सं० 41] नई दिल्ली, शुक्रवार, दिसम्बर 8, 2023/अग्रहायण 17, 1945 (शक)  
No. 41] NEW DELHI, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023/AGRAHAYANA 17, 1945 (SAKA)

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 8th December, 2023/Agrahayana 17, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 8th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE ADVOCATES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 No. 33 OF 2023

[8th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the Advocates Act, 1961.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Advocates (Amendment) Act, 2023.

Short title and  
commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Insertion of new section 45A.

Power to frame and publish lists of touts.

2. After section 45 of the Advocates Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

25 of 1961.

‘45A. (1) Every High Court, District Judge, Sessions Judge, District Magistrate, and every Revenue-officer, not being below the rank of a Collector of a district (each as regards their or his own Court and the Courts, if any, subordinate thereto) may frame and publish lists of persons proved to their or his satisfaction, or to the satisfaction of any subordinate Court as provided in sub-section (3) by evidence of general repute or otherwise, habitually to act as touts, and may, from time to time, alter and amend such lists.

*Explanation.*—The passing of a resolution, declaring any person to be or not to be a tout, by a majority of the members present at a meeting, specially convened for the purpose, of an association of persons entitled to practice as legal practitioners in any Court or revenue-office, shall be evidence of the general repute of such person for the purposes of this sub-section.

(2) No person's name shall be included in any such list until he shall have had an opportunity of showing cause against such inclusion.

(3) Any authority empowered under sub-section (1) to frame and publish a list of touts may send to any Court subordinate to such authority the names of any persons alleged or suspected to be touts, and order that Court to hold an inquiry in regard to such persons; and the subordinate Court shall thereupon hold an inquiry into the conduct of such persons and, after giving each such person an opportunity of showing cause as provided in sub-section (2), shall report to the authority which has ordered the inquiry the name of each such person who has been proved to the satisfaction of the subordinate Court to be a tout; and that authority may include the name of any such person in the list of touts framed and published by that authority:

Provided that such authority shall hear any such person who, before his name has been so included, appears before it and desires to be heard.

(4) A copy of every such list shall be kept hung up in every Court to which the same relates.

(5) The Court or Judge may, by general or special order, exclude from the precincts of the Court any person whose name is included in any such list.

(6) Any person who acts as a tout whilst his name is included in any such list shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to three months, or with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees, or with both.

(7) For the purposes of this section,—

(a) "Judge" means the presiding judicial officer in every Civil and Criminal Court, by whatever title he is designated;

(b) "subordinate Court" means all Courts subordinate to the High Court, including Courts of Small Causes established under any law for the time being in force;

(c) "revenue-office" includes all Courts (other than Civil Courts) trying suits under any law for the time being in force relating to landholders and their tenants or agents;

(d) "tout" means a person—

(i) who procures, in consideration of any remuneration moving from any legal practitioner, the employment of the legal practitioner in any legal business; or who proposes to any legal practitioner or to any person interested in any legal business to procure, in consideration of any remuneration moving from either of them, the employment of the legal practitioner in such business; or

(ii) who for the purposes of such procurement frequents the precincts of Civil or Criminal Courts or of revenue-offices, or railway stations, landing stages, lodging places or other places of public resort.’.

3. In section 50 of the principal Act, after sub-section (5), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

Amendment  
of section 50.

25 of 1961.  
18 of 1879.

“(6) On the date on which section 45A of the Advocates Act, 1961 comes into force, sections 1, 3 and 36 of the Legal Practitioners Act, 1879 shall stand repealed.”.

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*



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**PR-08**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಾಸ 49 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.

ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15.12.2023 ರಂದು ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗೆಜೆಟ್‌ನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯ  
Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR RESERVATION  
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 (NO. 34 OF 2023) ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ  
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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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No. 42] NEW DELHI, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023/AGRAHAYANA 24, 1945 (SAKA)

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 15th December, 2023/Agrahayana 24, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 15th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR RESERVATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 34 OF 2023

[15th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation Act, 2004.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Act, 2023. Short title, and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Amendment  
of section 2.

**2.** In the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation Act, 2004, in section 2,—

Jammu and  
Kashmir Act  
XIV of 2004.

(i) in clause (o),—

(A) for sub-clause (iii), the following sub-clause shall be substituted,  
namely:—

“(iii) other backward classes declared as such by the Government  
from time to time.”;

(B) in the first proviso, for the words "said category", the words "category  
of socially and educationally backward classes" shall be substituted;

(ii) clause (q) shall be omitted.

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

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**PR-09**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಶಾಇ 50 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.  
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Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR REORGANISATION  
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 (NO. 35 OF 2023) ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ  
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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 15th December, 2023/Agrahayana 24, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 15th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR REORGANISATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 35 OF 2023

[15th December, 2023]

An Act further to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Act, 2023.

Short title, and  
commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Amendment  
of section 14.

**2.** In the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in section 14,—

34 of 2019.

(i) in sub-section (3), the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

'Provided that subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 60, on and from the date of commencement of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Act, 2023, the provisions of this sub-section shall have effect as if for the figures "107", the figures "114" had been substituted.';

(ii) for sub-section (10), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

'(10) In the Second Schedule to the Representation of the People Act, 1950, under the sub-heading "II. UNION TERRITORIES", against serial number 3 relating to "Jammu and Kashmir", for the entries under columns 2 to 7, the following entries shall respectively be substituted, namely:—

43 of 1950.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
"3. Jammu and Kashmir	90	7	9	90	7	9".'

Insertion of  
new sections  
15A and 15B.

**3.** After section 15 of the principal Act, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

Nomination  
of Kashmiri  
Migrants.

'15A. Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (3) of section 14, the Lieutenant Governor of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir may nominate not more than two members, one of whom shall be a woman, from the community of Kashmiri Migrants, to the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this section, the term "Migrant" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (e) of section 2 of the Jammu and Kashmir Migrant Immovable Property (Preservation, Protection and Restraint on Distress Sales) Act, 1997.

Jammu and  
Kashmir Act  
XVI of 1997.

Nomination  
of displaced  
persons.

15B. Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (3) of section 14, the Lieutenant Governor of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir may nominate one member from displaced persons from Pakistan occupied Jammu and Kashmir to the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this section, the term "displaced person" means any person, who, on account of the setting up of the dominions of India and Pakistan, or on account of civil disturbances or fear of such disturbances in any area of the then State of Jammu and Kashmir presently under occupation of Pakistan, during the years 1947-48, 1965 and 1971, had left or had been displaced due to such disturbances from his place of residence in such area and who has been subsequently residing outside such area and also includes successors-in-interest of any such person.'

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

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**PR-10**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
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Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES (AMENDMENT) ACT,  
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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 18th December, 2023/Agrahayana 27, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 17th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 36 OF 2023

[17th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the Central Universities Act, 2009.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Central Universities (Amendment) Act, 2023.

Short title and  
commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

25 of 2009.

2. In the Central Universities Act, 2009 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after section 3F, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

Insertion of  
new section  
3G.

“3G. There shall be established a Tribal University, which shall be a body corporate, to be known as the Sammakka Sarakka Central Tribal University, having its territorial jurisdiction extending to the whole of the State of Telangana, as specified in the First Schedule to this Act, to provide avenues of higher education and research facilities primarily for the tribal population of India.”

Establishment  
of Sammakka  
Sarakka  
Central Tribal  
University.



Amendment of  
First Schedule.

**3.** In the First Schedule to the principal Act, after serial number 16 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be inserted, namely: —

"17.	Telangana	Sammakka Sarakka Central Tribal University	Whole of the State of Telangana."
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S.K.G RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

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ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ

**PR-11**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಶಾಇ 52 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.  
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18.12.2023 ರಂದು ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗೆಜೆಟ್‌ನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯ  
Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE REPEALING AND AMENDING ACT, 2023  
(NO. 37 OF 2023) ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು  
ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ,-



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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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सं० 45] नई दिल्ली, सोमवार, दिसम्बर 18, 2023/ अग्रहायण 27, 1945 (शक)  
No. 45] NEW DELHI, MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023/AGRAHAYANA 27, 1945 (SAKA)

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 18th December, 2023/Agrahayana 27, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 17th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE REPEALING AND AMENDING ACT, 2023

No. 37 OF 2023

[17th December, 2023.]

An Act to repeal certain enactments and to amend an enactment.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Repealing and Amending Act, 2023. Short title.
2. The enactments specified in the First Schedule and the Second Schedule are hereby repealed. Repeal of certain enactments.
3. The enactment specified in the Third Schedule is hereby amended to the extent and in the manner specified in the fourth column thereof. Amendment of enactment.
4. The repeal by this Act of any enactment shall not affect any other enactment in which the repealed enactment has been applied, incorporated or referred to; Savings.  
and this Act shall not affect the validity, invalidity, effect or consequences of anything already done or suffered, or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued

or incurred, or any remedy or proceeding in respect thereof, or any release or discharge of or from any debt, penalty, obligation, liability, claim or demand, or any indemnity already granted, or the proof of any past act or thing;

nor shall this Act affect any principle or rule of law, or established jurisdiction, form or course of pleading, practice or procedure, or existing usage, custom, privilege, restriction, exemption, office or appointment, notwithstanding that the same respectively may have been in any manner affirmed or recognised or derived by, in or from any enactment hereby repealed;

nor shall the repeal by this Act of any enactment revive or restore any jurisdiction, office, custom, liability, right, title, privilege, restriction, exemption, usage, practice, procedure or other matter or thing not now existing or in force.

## THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(See section 2)

## REPEALS

Year	Act No.	Short Title
1	2	3
1850	18	The Judicial Officers Protection Act, 1850.
1855	28	The Usury Laws Repeal Act, 1855.
1857	5	The Oriental Gas Company Act, 1857.
1867	11	The Oriental Gas Company Act, 1867.
1871	4	The Coroners Act, 1871.
1881	16	The Obstruction in Fairways Act, 1881.
1885	18	The Land Acquisition (Mines) Act, 1885.
1912	13	The Delhi Laws Act, 1912.
1915	7	The Delhi Laws Act, 1915.
1922	22	The Police (Incitement to Disaffection) Act, 1922.
1923	6	The Cantonments (House Accommodation) Act, 1923.
1934	15	The Sugar-cane Act, 1934.
1941	12	The Delhi Restriction of Uses of Land Act, 1941.
1950	74	The Telegraph Wires (Unlawful Possession) Act, 1950.
1965	44	The Metal Corporation of India (Acquisition of Undertaking) Act, 1965.
1974	28	The Coal Mines (Conservation and Development) Act, 1974.
1976	100	The Metal Corporation (Nationalisation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976.
1982	71	The Andhra Scientific Company Limited (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1982.
1983	17	The Delhi Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 1983.
1994	13	The Air Corporations (Transfer of Undertakings and Repeal) Act, 1994.
2018	1	The Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017.
2018	8	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2018.
2018	21	The Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Act, 2018.
2018	23	The Homoeopathy Central Council (Amendment) Act, 2018.
2018	26	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Second Amendment) Act, 2018.
2018	27	The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Act, 2018.
2019	6	The Personal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	8	The Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	11	The Homoeopathy Central Council (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	14	The Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	24	The Right to Information (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	26	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2019.
2019	36	The Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Amendment Act, 2019.
2019	37	The Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Act, 2019.
2020	19	The Salary, Allowances and Pension of Members of Parliament (Amendment) Act, 2020.

## THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(See section 2)

## REPEALS

Year	Act No.	Short Title
1	2	3
2013	5	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2013.
2013	6	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2013.
2013	7	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Act, 2013.
2013	8	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2013.
2013	9	The Appropriation Act, 2013.
2013	10	The Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 2013.
2013	15	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 3 Act, 2013.
2013	16	The Appropriation (No. 3) Act, 2013.
2013	21	The Appropriation (No. 4) Act, 2013.
2014	2	The Appropriation (No. 5) Act, 2013.
2014	3	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 4 Act, 2013.
2014	4	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2014.
2014	5	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2014.
2014	12	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2014.
2014	13	The Appropriation Act, 2014.
2014	21	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Act, 2014.
2014	22	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 3 Act, 2014.
2014	23	The Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 2014.
2014	24	The Appropriation (No. 3) Act, 2014.
2014	38	The Appropriation (No. 4) Act, 2014.
2015	6	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2015.
2015	7	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2015.
2015	8	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2015.
2015	9	The Appropriation Act, 2015.
2015	13	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Act, 2015.
2015	15	The Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 2015.
2015	24	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 3 Act, 2015.
2015	25	The Appropriation (No. 3) Act, 2015.
2016	7	The Appropriation (No. 4) Act, 2015.
2016	8	The Appropriation (No. 5) Act, 2015.
2016	14	The Appropriation (Railways) Vote on Account Act, 2016.
2016	15	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2016.
2016	19	The Appropriation (Vote on Account) Act, 2016.

1	2	3
2016	20	The Appropriation Act, 2016.
2016	26	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Act, 2016.
2016	29	The Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 2016.
2016	46	The Appropriation (No. 3) Act, 2016.
2016	50	The Appropriation (No. 4) Act, 2016.
2016	51	The Appropriation (No. 5) Act, 2016.
2017	8	The Appropriation (Railways) Act, 2017.
2017	9	The Appropriation (Railways) No. 2 Act, 2017.

## THE THIRD SCHEDULE

(See section 3)

## AMENDMENT

Year	Act No.	Short Title	Amendment
1	2	3	4
2012	12	The Factoring Regulation Act, 2011	In section 31A, in sub-section (3), for the words "that Central Government", the words "that Government" shall be substituted.

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*



ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಆದೇಶಾನುಸಾರ  
ಮತ್ತು ಅವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ  
(ಡಿ.ಬಿ. ಜನಾರ್ದನ)  
ಸಹಾಯಕ ಪ್ರಾರೋಪಕಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಪದನಿಮಿತ್ತ  
ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉಪ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ  
ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು  
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PR-12

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಶಾಇ 53 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.  
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 22.12.2023 ರಂದು ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗೆಜೆಟ್‌ನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯ  
Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR REORGANISATION  
(SECOND AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 (NO. 38 OF 2023) ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ  
ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ,-



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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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सं० 46] नई दिल्ली, शुक्रवार, दिसम्बर 22, 2023/पौष 1, 1945 (शक)  
No. 46] NEW DELHI, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023/PAUSHA 1, 1945 (SAKA)

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Separate paging is given to this Part in order that it may be filed as a separate compilation.

## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 22nd December, 2023/Pausha 1, 1945 (Saka)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 20th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR REORGANISATION (SECOND AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 38 OF 2023

[20th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Second Amendment) Act, 2023.

Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

34 of 2019.

2. In the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, after section 14, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

Insertion of new sections 14A and 14B.

“14A. (1) Seats shall be reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Reservation of seats for women in Legislative Assembly of Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

(2) As nearly as may be, one-third of the seats reserved under sub-section (7) of section 14 shall be reserved for women belonging to the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Reservation  
of seats for  
women to  
take effect.

(3) As nearly as may be, one-third of the total number of seats to be filled by direct election to the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir (including the number of seats reserved for women belonging to the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes) shall be reserved for women in such manner as Parliament may by law determine.

14B. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the provisions of this Act, the provisions relating to reservation of seats for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir shall come into effect after an exercise of delimitation is undertaken for this purpose after the relevant figures for the first census taken after the commencement of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Second Amendment) Act, 2023 have been published and shall cease to have effect on the expiration of a period of fifteen years from such commencement.

(2) Subject to the provisions of section 14A, seats reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir shall continue till such date as Parliament may by law determine.

(3) Rotation of seats reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir shall take effect after such subsequent exercise of delimitation as Parliament may by law determine.

(4) Nothing in section 14A shall affect any representation in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir until the dissolution of the then existing Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.”

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S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಆದೇಶಾನುಸಾರ  
ಮತ್ತು ಅವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ  
(ಡಿ.ಬಿ. ಜನಾರ್ದನ)  
ಸಹಾಯಕ ಪ್ರಾರೂಪಕಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಪದನಿಮಿತ್ತ  
ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉಪ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ  
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ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ

**PR-13**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಶಾಇ 54 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.  
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 22.12.2023 ರಂದು ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗೆಜೆಟ್‌ನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯ  
Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE GOVERNMENT OF UNION TERRITORIES  
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 (NO. 39 OF 2023) ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ  
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ,-



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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 22nd December, 2023/Pausha 1, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 20th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE GOVERNMENT OF UNION TERRITORIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 39 OF 2023

[20th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the Government of Union Territories Act, 1963.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Government of Union Territories (Amendment) Act, 2023.

Short title and  
commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Insertion of  
new sections  
3A and 3B.

2. In the Government of Union Territories Act, 1963, after section 3, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:— 20 of 1963.

Reservation  
of seats for  
women in  
Legislative  
Assembly of  
Union  
territory of  
Puducherry.

“3A. (1) Seats shall be reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry.

(2) As nearly as may be, one-third of the seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry shall be reserved for women.

(3) As nearly as may be, one-third of the total number of seats to be filled by direct election to the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry (including the number of seats reserved for women belonging to the Scheduled Castes) shall be reserved for women in such manner as Parliament may by law determine.

Reservation  
of seats for  
women to  
take effect.

3B. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the provisions of this Act, the provisions relating to reservation of seats for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry shall come into effect after an exercise of delimitation is undertaken for this purpose after the relevant figures for the first census taken after the commencement of the Government of Union Territories (Amendment) Act, 2023 have been published and shall cease to have effect on the expiration of a period of fifteen years from such commencement.

(2) Subject to the provisions of section 3A, seats reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry shall continue till such date as Parliament may by law determine.

(3) Rotation of seats reserved for women in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry shall take effect after such subsequent exercise of delimitation as Parliament may by law determine.

(4) Nothing in section 3A shall affect any representation in the Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry until the dissolution of the then existing Legislative Assembly of the Union territory of Puducherry.”.

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಆದೇಶಾನುಸಾರ  
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ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಉಪ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ  
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ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ

**PR-14**

**ಸಂಸದೀಯ ವ್ಯವಹಾರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಸನ ರಚನೆ ಇಲಾಖೆ  
ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ**

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಂವ್ಯಶಾಇ 55 ಕೇಶಾಪು 2023 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.01.2024.  
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 24.12.2023 ರಂದು ಭಾರತ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗೆಜೆಟ್‌ನ ವಿಶೇಷ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯ  
Part-II-Section-1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ THE NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI  
LAWS (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) SECOND (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023 (NO. 42 OF 2023)  
ಅನ್ನು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ,-



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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 24th December, 2023/Pausha 3, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 24th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI LAWS (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) SECOND (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2023

No. 42 OF 2023

[24th December, 2023.]

An Act further to amend the National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second Act, 2011.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second (Amendment) Act, 2023. Short title.

20 of 2011. 2. In the National Capital Territory of Delhi Laws (Special Provisions) Second Act, 2011 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in the long title, for the figures "2023", the figures "2026" shall be substituted. Amendment of long title.



Amendment  
of Preamble.

**3. In the principal Act, in the Preamble,—**

(a) for seventh paragraph, the following paragraphs shall be substituted, namely:—

"AND WHEREAS the Development Control Norms for unauthorised colonies as provided in the National Capital Territory of Delhi (Recognition of Property Rights of Residents in Unauthorised Colonies) Regulations, 2019, have been notified on the 8th day of March, 2022;

AND WHEREAS the process of conferring the ownership rights to the residents of unauthorised colonies and action as per the Development Control Norms for unauthorised colonies is under progress and will take time;"

(b) seventeenth paragraph shall be omitted;

(c) in the last paragraph, for the figures "2023", the figures "2026" shall be substituted.

Amendment  
of section 1.

**4. In section 1 of the principal Act, in sub-section (4), for the figures "2023", the figures "2026" shall be substituted.**

Amendment  
of section 3.

**5. In section 3 of the principal Act,—**

(a) in sub-section (3), for the figures "2023", the figures "2026" shall be substituted;

(b) in sub-section (4), for the figures "2023", the figures "2026" shall be substituted.

S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*

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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 24th December, 2023/Pausha 3, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 24th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE POST OFFICE ACT, 2023

No. 43 OF 2023

[24th December, 2023.]

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to Post Office in India and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Post Office Act, 2023.

Short title and  
commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

Definitions.

(a) "Director General" means the Director General of Postal Services appointed by the Central Government and includes any officer authorised by the Central Government to perform the duties of the Director General;

(b) "item" means an indivisible article which the Post Office accepts for providing a service;

(c) "notification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette;

(d) "Post Office" means the Department of Posts and includes every house, building, room, place or any other asset used by the Post Office for providing any service;

(e) "prescribe" means prescribe by rules made under this Act and the expression "prescribed" shall be construed accordingly;

(f) "regulations" means the regulations made under this Act.

Services to be provided by Post Office.

**3.** (1) The Post Office shall provide such services as the Central Government may prescribe.

(2) The Director General may make regulations—

(a) in respect of activities necessary to provide services referred to in sub-section (1); and

(b) to fix charges for, and the terms and conditions in respect of, services referred to in sub-section (1).

(3) Any service provided by the Post Office shall be subject to any other law for the time being in force.

Exclusive privilege in respect of postage stamps.

**4.** (1) The Post Office shall have the exclusive privilege of issuing postage stamps.

(2) The Director General may make regulations relating to the supply and sale of postage stamps and postal stationery.

(3) In this section, the expressions—

(a) "postage stamp" means any stamp provided by the Central Government, in any form, physical or digital, for denoting sums payable in respect of such service provided by the Post Office, as may be prescribed and includes stamps affixed, printed, embossed, embedded, impressed, or otherwise indicated on an item;

(b) "postal stationery" means stationery, issued by the Post Office such as envelopes, letter cards, postcards, bearing imprinted stamps or inscriptions indicating that sum payable in respect of a service provided by the Post Office has been prepaid.

Addresses and postcodes.

**5.** (1) The Central Government may prescribe standards for addressing on the items, address identifiers and usage of postcodes.

(2) In this section, "postcode" means a series of digits, letters or digital code or a combination of digits, letters or digital code used to identify a geographic area or location, and ease the process of sorting and delivery of items and for other purposes.

Power to give effect to arrangements with other countries.

**6.** The Central Government may make rules to give effect to arrangements made with any foreign country or territory for services provided by the Post Office between India and the said foreign country or territory.

Recovery of sums due in respect of services provided by Post Office.

**7.** (1) Every person who avails a service provided by the Post Office shall be liable to pay the charges in respect of such service.

(2) If any person refuses or neglects to pay the charges referred to in sub-section (1), such amount shall be recoverable as if it were an arrear of land revenue due from him.

**8.** The Central Government may prescribe the conditions for denoting the official marks on items to be used as *prima facie* evidence of the facts so denoted.

Official mark to be evidence of certain facts denoted.

**9. (1)** The Central Government may, by notification, empower any officer to cause any item in course of transmission by the Post Office to be intercepted, opened or detained in the interest of the security of the State, friendly relations with foreign states, public order, emergency, or public safety or upon the occurrence of any contravention of any of the provisions of this Act or any other law for the time being in force.

Power to intercept, open or detain any item or deliver item to customs authority.

(2) The Central Government may cause any item referred to in sub-section (1) to be disposed of in such manner as it deems appropriate.

(3) The Central Government may, by notification, empower any officer of the Post Office to deliver an item, received from within or beyond the limits of India and reckoned to contain anything liable to duty or which is suspected to contain any prohibited item to such customs authority or any other authority as may be specified in the said notification, and such customs authority or any other authority shall deal with such item in accordance with the provisions of any law for the time being in force.

**10. (1)** Notwithstanding anything in any other law for the time being in force, the Post Office shall not incur any liability except such liability as may be prescribed with regard to a service provided by the Post Office.

Exemption from liability.

(2) No officer of the Post Office shall incur any liability with regard to a service provided by the Post Office, unless the officer has acted fraudulently or wilfully caused loss, delay or mis-delivery of service.

**11.** The Central Government may, by notification, authorise, either absolutely or subject to conditions, the Director General to exercise any of the powers conferred upon the Central Government by this Act, other than the power to make rules.

Delegation of power, other than rulemaking powers to Director General.

**12.** The Central Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Power to make rules.

**13.** The Director General may, with the prior approval of the Central Government, by notification, make regulations for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Power to make regulations.

**14.** Every rule or regulation made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or regulation or both Houses agree that the rule or regulation should not be made, the rule or regulation shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule or regulation.

Laying of rules and regulations in Parliament.

**15. (1)** If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government may, by order in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act as appear to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Power to remove difficulties.

Provided that no order shall be made under this section after the expiry of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

Repeal and  
savings.

**16. (1)** The Indian Post Office Act, 1898 is hereby repealed.

6 of 1898.

(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of the Act by sub-section (1), all rules, notifications and orders, made or purported to have been made under the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, shall, in so far as they relate to matters for which provision is made in this Act and are not inconsistent therewith, be deemed to have been made under this Act and shall continue in force unless and until they are superseded by any rules or notification or order made under this Act.

6 of 1898.

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S.K.G. RAHATE,  
*Secretary to the Govt. of India.*



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भाग II — खण्ड 1

PART II — Section 1

प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

*New Delhi, the 29th December, 2023/Pausha 8, 1945 (Saka)*

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 28th December, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE PRESS AND REGISTRATION OF PERIODICALS ACT, 2023

No. 51 OF 2023

[28th December, 2023.]

An Act to provide for press, registration of periodicals and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

#### CHAPTER I

##### PRELIMINARY

- (1) This Act may be called the Press and Registration of Periodicals Act, 2023.
- (2) It extends to the whole of India.
- (3) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Short title,  
extent and  
commencement.



## Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “facsimile edition” of a publication means an exact reproduction of the original edition of a foreign publication in English or an Indian language included in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution;

(b) “journal” means a periodical publication, other than a magazine, which primarily carries academic, scientific or technical content related to a particular discipline or profession;

(c) “keeper” means a person who manages the day-to-day operations of a printing press, the owner of which is a non-individual entity;

(d) “newspaper” means a periodical of loose-folded sheets usually printed on newsprint and brought out daily or at least once in a week, containing information on current events, public news or comments on public news;

(e) “notification” means a notification published in the Gazette of India or the Official Gazette of a State, as the case may be, and the expression “notify” with its grammatical variation and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;

(f) “owner” means an individual, firm or any such legal entity owning a periodical;

(g) “periodical” means any publication, including a newspaper, which is published and printed at regular intervals containing public news or comments on public news, but does not include a book, or a journal including a book or journal of scientific, technical and academic nature;

(h) “prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act;

(i) “Press Registrar General” means the Press Registrar General of India, appointed by the Central Government under sub-section (1) of section 5;

(j) “printer” means the owner or keeper of a printing press;

(k) “printing” means reproduction of a periodical through any technology involving mass production of copies, but does not include photocopying;

(l) “publication” means newspapers, magazines, journals or newsletters printed periodically and published in India, and shall include its reproduction in electronic form or any syndication, facsimile edition, for public distribution or access;

(m) “publish” means the process of making a work available to the public by issuing or causing to be issued the copies thereof or in any other manner, whether for a price or free of charge, and the word “publishing” shall be construed accordingly;

(n) “publisher” means a person responsible to publish any periodical;

(o) “register” means the register of periodicals maintained under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 5;

(p) “specified authority” means a District Magistrate or Collector or such other officer as the State Government or, as the case may be, Union territory Administration may, by notification, specify;

(q) “title”, in relation to a periodical, means the name of such periodical as may be verified by the Press Registrar General, printed prominently and legibly as the masthead on the front page of that periodical by which it shall be known or be identified.

## CHAPTER II

## PRINTING PRESS AND PERIODICAL

3. Every printer of a periodical shall furnish an intimation in the online portal to the Press Registrar General and the specified authority within whose local jurisdiction his printing press is situated with such particulars and in such manner, as may be prescribed.

Printer to  
furnish  
intimation.

4. (1) Every citizen of India or a person, being an entity incorporated and registered in India under any law for the time being in force, may bring out a periodical:

Publication of  
periodical.

Provided that no person who has been convicted by any court for an offence—

(a) involving terrorist act or unlawful activity; or

(b) for having done anything against the security of the State,

shall bring out a periodical.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this section, the expressions "terrorist act" and "unlawful activity" shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in clauses (k) and (o) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

37 of 1967.

(2) Every periodical printed in India shall have printed on it legibly the name of the printer, place of printing, name of editor, publisher and place of publication.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this sub-section, "editor" means a person who decides the matter that is to be published in a periodical.

(3) A facsimile edition of a foreign periodical may be printed in India only with the previous approval of the Central Government in accordance with the guidelines made in this regard, and the registration of such facsimile edition shall be made with the Press Registrar General in such manner as may be prescribed.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this sub-section, "foreign periodical" means any periodical printed and published in a country outside India.

## CHAPTER III

## AUTHORITIES

5. (1) The Central Government may, by order, appoint a Press Registrar General of India for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

Press Registrar  
General and  
other officers.

(2) The Central Government may, by general or special order, appoint such other officers under the general superintendence and control of the Press Registrar General, as may be necessary, for the purpose of performing the functions assigned to the Press Registrar General by or under this Act and may, by such order provide for the distribution or allocation of functions to be performed by them under this Act.

(3) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the Press Registrar General shall perform the following functions, namely:—

(a) issue a certificate of registration to a periodical;

(b) maintain a register of registered periodicals;

(c) make guidelines for admissibility and availability of title of a periodical;

(d) collect fees, as may be applicable, with regard to applications received by him under this Act;

(e) receive funds from the Central Government and disburse the same for implementation of the provisions of this Act;

(f) prepare and publish an annual report containing information in respect of the periodicals in India;

(g) any function incidental to, or connected with, clauses (a) to (f); and

(h) any other function as may be assigned to it by the Central Government for the effective implementation of the provisions of this Act.

6. The Press Registrar General shall—

(a) obtain annual statements of a periodical;

(b) verify the circulation figure of such class of periodicals in such manner and for such purpose, as may be prescribed, and shall have access to any relevant record or

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Press Registrar  
General.

document relating to a periodical in the possession of the owner of such periodical or printer thereof, and enter any premises where the business of such periodical is carried on at any reasonable time to inspect or take copies of the relevant records or documents or ask any question necessary for obtaining any information required to be furnished;

(c) revise, suspend or cancel registration of a periodical;

(d) requisition the services of an authorised person and such other person as may be specified by him for undertaking verification of circulation figure of a periodical.

*Explanation.*—For the removal of doubts, it is clarified that an “authorised person” means a Gazetted Officer of the Central Government, subordinate to the Press Registrar General, and authorised by the Press Registrar General in writing to function as his representative for discharging such functions as he may assign to such representative;

(e) call for records, documents and such other information in respect of a printing press or a periodical as may be required in discharge of his duties;

(f) call for information from a State Government or Union territory Administration or a specified authority regarding a periodical; and

(g) impose penalty.

#### CHAPTER IV

##### REGISTRATION OF PERIODICAL

Registration  
of periodical.

7. (1) A periodical shall be printed or published in India only in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

(2) Every publisher of a periodical shall, with the authorisation of the owner of such periodical, obtain a certificate of registration from the Press Registrar General by making an online application to the Press Registrar General and the specified authority within whose local jurisdiction such periodical is proposed to be published, in such manner and on payment of such fee, with such documents and particulars, as may be prescribed.

(3) The application referred to in sub-section (2) shall contain the title, which the publisher intends to assign to the periodical, and for that purpose the publisher may suggest one or more names for the title, in an order of preference, which is not the same or similar to a title already held by any other owner of a periodical either in the same language anywhere in India or in any other language in the same State, and which conforms to the guidelines made by the Press Registrar General for this purpose.

(4) The specified authority referred to in sub-section (2) shall, either furnish its no-objection or comments on the application to the Press Registrar General within a period of sixty days:

Provided that no-objection of the specified authority shall not be required, where the application referred to in sub-section (2) is for registration of a periodical proposed to be published by the Central Government or a State Government or any authority under such Government.

(5) On receipt of an application referred to in sub-section (2), if the Press Registrar General is satisfied with its correctness and completeness and after taking into account the comments, if any, received from the specified authority within the period referred to in sub-section (4) and the guidelines relating to admissibility of titles, he shall issue a certificate of registration containing particulars of its periodicity, language, place of publication, details of the owner and the title of the periodical, in such form as may be prescribed:

Provided that the Press Registrar General may, after giving an opportunity of being heard and for reasons to be recorded in writing, refuse to issue the certificate of registration.

(6) The publisher of the periodical shall, on receipt of the certificate of registration, commence publication of the periodical:

Provided that if the publisher of the periodical fails to publish the periodical within twelve months from the end of the month in which the certificate of registration was issued, the Press Registrar General may cancel the certificate of registration and withdraw the title.

**8. (1)** A publisher of a periodical may make an application to the Press Registrar General for revision of particulars of the certificate of registration, or for revision of title, in such manner and with such particulars as may be prescribed.

Revision of certificate of registration or title.

(2) The Press Registrar General may, on being satisfied with the particulars of the revision applied for under sub-section (1), issue a revised certificate of registration or a revised title, to the publisher and intimate the same to the specified authority.

**9. (1)** The transfer of ownership of every periodical registered under section 7 shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this section.

Transfer of ownership of a periodical.

(2) The owner of a periodical referred to in sub-section (1) shall apply for transfer of its ownership to the Press Registrar General by furnishing such documents, setting forth such particulars and on payment of such fee, as may be prescribed.

(3) On receipt of an application from the owner of a periodical for transfer of ownership of such periodical, if the Press Registrar General is satisfied with its correctness and completeness, and after taking into account the comments, if any, received from the specified authority, he shall permit the transfer of ownership of that periodical:

Provided that the Press Registrar General may, after giving an opportunity of being heard and for reasons to be recorded in writing, refuse to permit such transfer of ownership of a periodical.

(4) The owner of the periodical shall, on receipt of the permission from the Press Registrar General under sub-section (3), forward a copy of the same to the publisher, and the publisher shall apply and obtain a revised certificate of registration in accordance with the provisions of section 7.

(5) The owner of a periodical shall intimate any change in the shareholding pattern of his company within fifteen days of such change being informed by him to the Registrar of Companies.

**10. (1)** The owner of a periodical may discontinue a periodical registered under this Act and shall, within six months of such discontinuation, intimate to the Press Registrar General and the specified authority, within whose local jurisdiction such periodical is published, about such discontinuation.

Discontinuation of a periodical.

(2) The Press Registrar General shall, on receipt of intimation from the publisher under sub-section (1), cancel the certificate of registration of the discontinued periodical and remove the periodical along with its title from the register maintained under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 5.

**11. (1)** The Press Registrar General may, by order, for a period not less than thirty days but not exceeding one hundred and eighty days, suspend the certificate of registration of a periodical, if—

Suspension or cancellation of registration.

(a) the registration was obtained on false representation or on concealment of any material fact; or

(b) the publisher has failed to publish the periodical continuously.

*Explanation.*—For the removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that if a periodical publishes less than half of its issues, as are required to be published in a calendar year in accordance with the application made under sub-section (2) of section 7, such periodical shall be deemed to have failed to publish continuously; or

(c) the publisher has given false particulars in the annual statement; or

(d) the publisher has failed to furnish the annual statement within two years from the end of the financial year for which the annual statement was to be furnished.

(2) The Press Registrar General may cancel the certificate of registration of a periodical, where the publisher fails to remove the defects of the grounds on which the said certificate was suspended under sub-section (1) before the expiry of the period of such suspension.

(3) The Press Registrar General may, by order, cancel the certificate of registration of a periodical which—

(a) bears the same or similar title already held by any other owner of a periodical, either in the same language anywhere in India or in any other language in the same State or Union territory; or

(b) violates the guidelines made under sub-section (3) of section 7.

(4) The Press Registrar General may, by order, cancel the certificate of Registration of a periodical where the owner or publisher of such periodical has been convicted by any court for an offence—

(a) involving terrorist act or unlawful activity; or

(b) for having done anything against the security of the State.

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this section, the expressions "terrorist act" and "unlawful activity" shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in clauses (k) and (o) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

37 of 1967.

(5) No order for suspension or cancellation of certificate of registration shall be passed under this section, without giving an opportunity of being heard to the publisher or owner of the periodical, as the case may be.

(6) A copy of order of suspension or cancellation passed under this section shall be made available to the Central Government or State Government or Union territory Administration, as the case may be, and to the specified authority.

(7) The Press Registrar General may, after the cancellation of certificate of registration of a periodical under this section, issue a new certificate of registration to such periodical bearing another title, if the publisher of that periodical makes an application to that effect in conformity with the guidelines made under sub-section (3) of section 7.

(8) The Press Registrar General may, in such circumstances and manner, as may be prescribed, authorise the specified authority to suspend or cancel the certificate of registration granted under section 7.

Annual statement to be furnished by periodical.

**12.** (1) The publisher of a periodical shall furnish to the Press Registrar General an annual statement in respect of the periodical, at such time, in such form and giving such particulars, as may be prescribed.

(2) The publisher of every newspaper in India shall, subject to any rules made under this Act, deliver free of cost to the Press Registrar General and to the State Government one copy of each issue of such newspaper within forty-eight hours.

Annual report.

**13.** The Press Registrar General shall prepare and publish an annual report containing information in respect of the periodicals in India.

## CHAPTER V

### PENALTIES

Power of Press Registrar General to impose penalty.

**14.** (1) The Press Registrar General may impose penalty, if—

(a) a periodical is published without obtaining a certificate of registration under section 7;

(b) the publisher fails to furnish the annual statement as required under section 12 within one year from the end of the financial year in respect of which the annual statement was required to be furnished:

Provided that no order of imposition of penalty shall be passed without giving an opportunity of being heard to the publisher.

(2) Where a periodical is published without obtaining a certificate of registration under section 7, the Press Registrar General may impose a penalty of an amount not exceeding five lakh rupees with a direction to the publisher to cease the publication of such periodical.

(3) The quantum of penalty imposable under clause (b) of sub-section (1) shall be not less than ten thousand rupees but not exceeding twenty thousand rupees for the first default:

Provided that for every subsequent default, an enhanced penalty of twice such quantum may be imposed but shall not exceed two lakh rupees.

(4) Whoever fails to cease publication of periodical even after six months of issue of a direction under sub-section (2), or publishes any other periodical without obtaining a certificate of registration under section 7, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months.

## CHAPTER VI

### APPEAL

**15. (1)** There shall be an Appellate Board to be called the Press and Registration Appellate Board consisting of Chairperson, Press Council of India and two members to be nominated by the Press Council of India, from among its members:

Press and  
Registration  
Appellate  
Board.

37 of 1978. Provided that at least one of the two members shall be a person referred to in clause (d) or clause (e) of sub-section (3) of section 5 of the Press Council Act, 1978.

(2) Any person aggrieved by an order of refusal to issue the certificate of registration under sub-section (5) of section 7, or cancellation or suspension of registration under section 11, or order of imposition of penalty under section 14, may, within sixty days from the date on which such order is communicated to him, prefer an appeal before the Press and Registration Appellate Board:

Provided that the Press and Registration Appellate Board may admit an appeal after the expiry of the said period, if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by sufficient cause from preferring the appeal on time.

(3) On receipt of an appeal under this section, the Press and Registration Appellate Board may, after calling for the records and after making such further inquiries as it deems fit, confirm, modify or set aside the order appealed against.

(4) The manner and procedure to be followed for preferring appeals, calling for records and making inquiries under this section shall be such as may be laid down by the Chairperson, Press Council of India.

## CHAPTER VII

### MISCELLANEOUS

**16. (1)** Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this Act, the Central Government may give directions on matters of policy to the Press Registrar General, in writing, from time to time and the Press Registrar General shall, in the discharge of his powers and functions under this Act, be bound by such directions.

Power of  
Central  
Government  
to issue  
directions.

(2) The decision of the Central Government as to whether a question is one of policy or not shall be final.

45 of 1860. **17.** The Press Registrar General and all officers appointed under this Act shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code.

Press Registrar  
General and  
other officers  
to be public  
servants.

**18.** No suit or other legal proceedings shall lie against the Central Government or State Government or Union territory Administration or the Press Registrar General or any officer or employee authorised by the Press Registrar General, for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done in pursuance of this Act or the rules made thereunder.

Protection of  
action taken  
in good faith.

**19. (1)** The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, after previous publication, make rules to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Power of  
Central  
Government  
to make rules.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:—

(a) the manner and particulars for furnishing an intimation before the specified authority by the printing press under section 3;

(b) the manner of registration of a facsimile edition of a foreign periodical under sub-section (3) of section 4;

(c) the manner of verification of circulation figure of class of periodicals under clause (b) of section 6;

(d) the form, fees and manner of making an online application, documents to be furnished and particulars to be set forth under sub-section (2) of section 7;

(e) the form in which and the particulars along with which a certificate of registration shall be issued under sub-section (5) of section 7;

(f) the manner of making an application and particulars to be set forth therein under sub-section (1) of section 8;

(g) the form, fees and manner of making an application, documents to be furnished and particulars to be set forth under sub-section (2) of section 9;

(h) the circumstances and manner for authorising the specified authority to suspend or cancel the certificate of registration under sub-section (7) of section 11;

(i) the form, time and particulars for furnishing an annual statement under section 12;

(j) any other matter which is required to be, or may be, prescribed under the provisions of this Act.

(3) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette of the State, make such rules not inconsistent with the rules made by the Central Government, as may be necessary or desirable for carrying out the objects of this Act.

(4) Every rule made by the State Government under sub-section (3) shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before the State Legislature.

Power to  
remove  
difficulties.

**20.** (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government may, by order published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as appear to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no such order shall be made under this section after the expiry of three years from the commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

Laying of  
rules and  
notification.

**21.** Every rule made or notification issued by the Central Government under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made or issued, before each House of Parliament while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or notification or both Houses agree that the rule or notification should not be made or issued, the rule or notification shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule or notification.

Repeal and  
savings.

**22.** (1) The Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867 is hereby repealed.

25 of 1867.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal,—

(a) anything done or any action taken or purported to have been done or taken including any rule, notification, inspection, order or declaration made or any document or instrument executed or any direction given or any proceedings taken or any penalty or fine imposed under the Act hereby repealed shall, in so far as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act;

(b) any declaration, including title thereof, so made and authenticated under the provisions of the Act hereby repealed, shall be deemed to have been made and authenticated under the corresponding provisions of this Act;

(c) any proceeding pending in any court at the commencement of this Act may be continued in that court as if this Act has not been passed;

(d) the Press Registrar General and other officers appointed under the Act hereby repealed and holding office as such immediately before the commencement of this Act, shall, on the commencement of this Act, continue to hold their respective offices under the corresponding provisions of this Act, unless and until they are removed or superannuated;

(e) the Press and Registration Appellate Board established under the Act hereby repealed shall continue to function under the corresponding provisions of this Act, unless and until the Press and Registration Appellate Board is constituted under this Act;

(f) any appeal preferred to the Press and Registration Appellate Board hereby repealed and not disposed of before the commencement of this Act, may be disposed of by the Press and Registration Appellate Board constituted under this Act;

(g) any penalty payable under the Act hereby repealed may be recovered in the manner provided by or under this Act, but without prejudice to any action already taken for the recovery of such penalty under the Act so repealed;

(h) any certificate of registration issued or granted under the Act hereby repealed shall continue to have effect after the commencement of this Act under the same conditions as if this Act had not been passed.

10 of 1897. (3) The matters referred to in clauses (a) to (h) of sub-section (2) shall not be held to prejudice or affect the general application of section 6 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 with regard to the effect of such repeal.

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